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Phase 1	- §54.1009 Annual Reporting	OMB 3060-1185
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	<041> Attach a description of the documents file	ed with the Form 481 reporting <041> 4380150K041.pdf

<080> <u>Tribal Lands Reporting (y/n?)</u> (Does this study area cover tribal lands? Yes or No)

<042> Cite the Study Area Code (SAC) for the Form 481 reporting



<042> 439004



#### Notice to Individuals Required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

OMB Control Number 3060-1185 (Annual Report for Mobility Fund Phase I Support, FCC Form 690 and Record Retention Requirements) Notice to Individuals Required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 18 hours per response. Our estimate includes the time to read the instructions, look through existing records, gather and maintain required data, and actually complete and review the form or response. If you have any comments on this estimate, or on how we can improve the collection and reduce the burden it causes you, please write the Federal Communications Commission, Office of Managing Director, AMD-PERM, Washington, DC 20554, Paperwork Reduction Act Project (3060-1185). Please DO NOT SEND COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. You are not required to respond to a collection of information sponsored by the Federal government, and the government may not conduct or sponsor this collection, unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number and/or we fail to provide you with this notice. This collection has been assigned an OMB control number of 3060-1185.

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Road Miles covered

by Service

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#### Certification of Officer or Employee as to Compliance with 47 CFR §54.1009(a)(4) certify that I am an officer or employee of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring compliance with 47 CFR §54.1009(a)(4), the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. United States Cellular Corporation Name of Reporting Carrier: CERTIFIED ONLINE Date 06/21/2017 Signature of Authorized Officer: John Gockley Printed name of Authorized Officer: VP-Legal and Regulatory Affairs Title or position of Authorized Officer: 7738643167 ext. Telephone number of Authorized Officer: 438015 Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: Filing Due Date for this form: Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

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Certification of Officer or Employee to authorize an Agent to file Compliance with 47 CFR §54.1009(a)(4) on Behalf of Reporting Carrier					
I certify that (Name of Agent)	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting				
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authorized agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the report	ts and data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.				
Name of Authorized Agent:					
Name of Reporting Carrier:					
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, as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am autho data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of	d to submit the certification on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have provided the data reported herein base knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate.
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Name of Authorized Agent Firm:	
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:	Date:
Name of Authorized Agent Employee:	
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent	
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Yes

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Yes

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Compliance with Environmental Review processes

Compliance with Cultural Preservation review processes

Compliance with Tribal Business and Licensing requirements.

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#### Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Reported for Mobility Fund Recipients I certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the reporting requirements for Mobility Fund recipients; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported on this form and in any attachments is accurate. United States Cellular Corporation Name of Reporting Carrier: 06/21/2017 CERTIFIED ONLINE Signature of Authorized Officer: Date John Gockley Printed name of Authorized Officer: VP-Legal and Regulatory Affairs Title or position of Authorized Officer: 7738643167 ext. Telephone number of Authorized Officer: Study Area Code of Reporting Carrier: 438015 Filing Due Date for this form:

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I certify that (Name of Agent)_ also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; n agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. It responsibilities include ensuring the accuracy of the data reporting requirements provided to the authorized data provided to the authorized agent is accurate.
Name of Authorized Agent:	
Name of Reporting Carrier:	
Signature of Authorized Officer:	Date:
Printed name of Authorized Officer:	
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## TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

(102) Certification - Agent / Carrier

Certification of Agent Author	orized to File for Mobility Fund Recipients on Behalf of Re	eporting Carrier
	horized to submit the reports for Mobility Fund recipients on behal g carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information report	. •
Name of Reporting Carrier:		
Name of Authorized Agent Firm:		
Signature of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent:		Date:
Name of Authorized Agent Employee:		
Title or position of Authorized Agent or Employee of Age	nt	
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**Attachments** 

## (060) Coverage and Performance Report FCC Form 690 Approved by OMB OMB Control No. 3060-1185

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Percentage of **Total Population** Reached by Service



Percentage of Total Road Miles covered by Service



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Percentage of Total Population Reached by Service



Percentage of Total Road Miles covered by Service



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## Mobility Fund Phase 1 - §54.1009 Annual Reporting

Line 041: Description of documents filed with Form 481 SAC 439004

The documents filed with FCC Form 481 for SAC 439004 in its annual report include:

- 439004OK310 Unfulfilled Service Requests (voice) Detail on Attempts
- 439004OK510 Service Quality Standards & Consumer Protection Rules Compliance
- 439004OK610 Functionality in Emergency Situations
- 439004OK920 Tribal Government Engagement Obligation

# Public Reference Copy United States Cellular Corporation SAC 438015 Form 690 Section 145 – Tribal Engagement

# <u>Line 145 – Tribal Engagement</u>

United States Cellular Corporation ("U.S. Cellular" or the "Company") serves Tribal lands in Oklahoma (including SAC 438015) that are within the jurisdiction of the Absentee-Shawnee Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma, the Apache Tribune of Oklahoma, the Caddo Indian Tribe of Oklahoma, Cherokee Nation, the Cheyenne Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma, Chickasaw Nation, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Citizen Potawatomi Nation, Comanche Nation, Muscogee(Creek) Nation, Delaware Nation, the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma, Fort Sill Apache, the Iowa Tribe of Oklahoma, Kaw Nation, the Kickapoo Tribe of Oklahoma, the Kiowa Tribune of Oklahoma, the Miami Tribe of Oklahoma, the Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma, Osage Nation, the Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Indians, the Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma, Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma, the Peoria Tribe of Oklahoma, the Ponca Tribe of Oklahoma, the Quapaw Tribe of Oklahoma, Sac & Fox Nation of Oklahoma, Seminole Nation of Oklahoma, the Seneca-Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma, the Tonkawa Tribe of Oklahoma, the Wichita and Affiliated Tribes, and Wyandotte Nation (the "Tribal Governments"). For purposes of fulfilling its Tribal engagement obligations, as adopted by the Commission, during 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016, representatives of the Company made multiple attempts to engage the Tribal Governments in discussions regarding its wireless service and potential benefits to the Tribal lands.

The topics for proposed discussion were: (1) needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal Government community anchor institutions; (2) feasibility and sustainability planning; (3) marketing services in a culturally sensitive manner; (4) rights of way processes; (5) land use permitting requirements; (6) facilities siting rules; (7) environmental

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review processes; (8) cultural preservation review processes; and (9) Tribal Government business and licensing requirements.

U.S. Cellular contacted the Tribal Governments via certified letter on November 12, 2012 and again, with a follow up letter on December 21, 2012, January 14, 2014, August 28, 2014, August 27, 2015, and August 26, 2016 to request a meeting to discuss the above matters. U.S. Cellular received no response to its multiple requests to engage the Tribal governments in discussions.

Pursuant to the *Tribal Engagement Further Guidance Public Notice*,<sup>1</sup> the Company hereby certifies that, for purposes of this 690 filing, the Company (1) took the various steps described in the preceding paragraphs to comply with its annual Tribal engagement obligation; (2) engaged in attempts to schedule meetings with the Tribal Governments; and (3) has retained documentation of each such attempt.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Office of Native Affairs and Policy, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Wireline Competition Bureau Issue Further Guidance on Tribal Government Engagement Obligation Provisions of the Connect America Fund, Public Notice, 27 FCC Rcd 8176, 8180 (paras. 14-15) (ONAP 2012) ("Tribal Engagement Further Guidance Public Notice").

## FCC FORM 690 LINE 211: PROJECT STATUS DESCRIPTION

**Project Description and Statement of Technical Feasibility** 

Winning Bid Census Tract No. T40063484700-5620 (Hughes, OK)

**SAC 438015** 

**Total Bid Amount: \$878,110.56** 

## I. Project Summary

United States Cellular Corporation ("U.S. Cellular") currently provides wireless services in Oklahoma. U.S. Cellular operates a 3G/4G wireless voice and data network incorporating state-of the-art technologies including CDMA and 4G LTE (Long Term Evolution). For this particular winning bid census tract, U.S. Cellular constructed an overlay LTE on cell sites in order to provide coverage to the unserved qualifying roads in the eligible census blocks within the winning bid census tract.

U.S. Cellular uses

4G LTE technology to provide the required service. LTE incorporates Multiple In Multiple Out (MIMO) technology, the Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access (OFDMA) air interface in the downlink and Single Carrier FDMA in the uplink. This combination provides high levels of spectral efficiency and network performance, coupled with high network capacity and low latency

4G LTE.

The overlay of LTE on an existing cell site will enable U.S. Cellular to meet its public interest obligations to provide rural citizens with access to advanced telecommunications and information technologies that are reasonably comparable to those available in urban areas. U.S.

Cellular has identified areas that lack high-quality coverage, that is, dead zones where citizens have inconsistent access to wireless network signals or where coverage is insufficient to allow mobile usage without dropped calls.

Use of support from Auction 901 will permit U.S. Cellular improve and expand coverage, and to cover operating and maintenance expenses expected in remote areas that are not expected to be cash flow positive for many years, if ever. In many areas where U.S. Cellular currently serves, consumers have access to data speeds that are insufficient to stream high quality video and transmit large files without significant delay. Installation of 4G service will significantly increase data speeds, well in excess of the 4/1 throughput requirement.

This will serve the public interest by allowing consumers to make more efficient use of high speed products and services, including smart phone devices, providing access to a wide variety of software applications. In every area where coverage is improved, rural citizens will see significant public safety benefits, as access to 911, E-911 and other important communications are all facilitated by improved connectivity in a mobile environment.

# **II.** Project Timeline

MILESTONES	START	<u>END</u>
1. Network Design		
2. Drafting, Posting of RFPs if applicable		
3. Vendor Selection		
4. Contract Negotiation if applicable		
5. Construction		
6. Meeting requirements for \$\$ Installments		
a.1st disbursement - upon award, no other requirements		6/15/2013
b. 2nd disbursement -		
i. report demonstrating 50% road miles covered		n/a
ii. 2nd LOC or increase to initial LOC to cover		
disbursement amount		n/a
c. 3rd/final disbursement -		

i. report demonstrating 75% road miles covered (3yrs		
for 4G)		

U.S. Cellular has completed a preliminary network design, which has informed its bidding strategy. U.S. Cellular has also completed its network design and budget, based on the then-current status of its network and then-current costs associated with purchasing the necessary equipment. U.S. Cellular employs radio-frequency engineers, as well as consulting engineers, to develop a final network design plan.

U.S. Cellular has completed its construction project, and has installed equipment needed to upgrade its backhaul and network core facilities, so that all new network equipment that is installed is capable of providing service immediately.

Construction, installation and testing is complete and the actual date of network deployment was \_\_\_\_\_\_. The information provided in this 690 filing for final disbursement proves that U.S. Cellular has achieved 75% or greater coverage, coverage. The final disbursement should be \_\_\_\_\_\_ which, with the first disbursement of equals \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the total bid amount of \$878,110.56.

## **Statement of Technical Feasibility**

These network deployments and improvements are all technically feasible because they represent an extension of U.S. Cellular's existing network, which has been providing service for a number of years. The projected cost of U.S. Cellular's project plan and necessary operating and maintenance expenses exceed the amount of Auction 901 support that it will receive, and the company invested the additional capital needed to complete the project. It has undertaken a financial analysis of the technical feasibility of meeting the FCC's coverage requirements and based on that analysis, it has determined that the combination of support and internally generated capital will be sufficient.

U.S. Cellular understands that the FCC's Auction 901 funding commitment is limited to the winning bid amount, and that U.S. Cellular will be responsible for providing additional internally generated capital, if needed, to meet the Commission's coverage and service requirements.

U.S. Cellular has successfully rolled out 4G LTE service in much of its existing network.

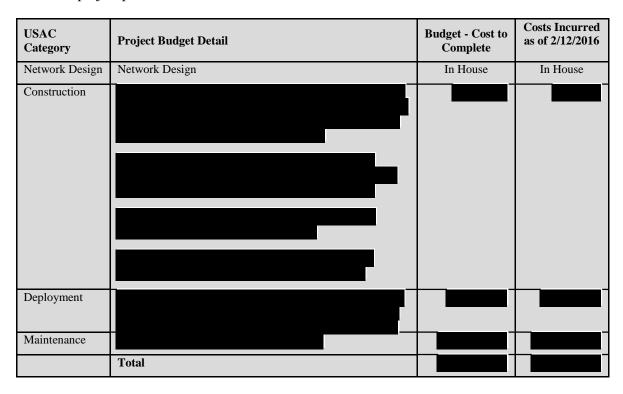
U.S. Cellular has familiarity with the challenges of deploying 4G technology as well as established relationships with equipment and handset vendors. U.S. Cellular understands the challenges of deploying a high-speed data network in a rural area and is fully confident that the technology it has chosen is technically feasible and that it has the necessary expertise to deploy a technically capable network solution that meets the FCC's coverage and throughput requirements.

U.S. Cellular has purchased peripheral technologies such as battery back-ups and diesel generators to ensure that its new network equipment is sufficiently hardened to withstand natural and man-made disasters.

# III. Budget and Actual Spending Breakdown

Census Tract	County/State	Bid	Project Budget Total
T40063484700-5620	Hughes, OK	\$878,110.56	

The following list compares the budget to actual costs incurred as of December 31, 2013 for the activities in the project plan.



The projected build plan set forth above, including costs and timeframes, are good-faith estimates based on current information and subject to change, depending on a variety of factors such as but not limited to terrain, zoning or other restriction on land usage, weather, and equipment availability from the selected vendors.